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| In Re Application Of: John H. Crowe, et al Serial No: 10/052,162 Filed: January 16, 2002 Title: ERYTHROCYTIC CELLS AND METHOD FOR PRESERVING CELLS | Examiner: Shin-Lin Chen Art Unit: 1632 Atty. Docket No.: 010023-000130 Confirmation No. 3071 |
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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 18, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 116

(Amendment B)

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 18, 2003,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 4 of this paper.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of Claims will replace all prior
versions, and listings, of claims in the application: